

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, coronary heart disease is the number 1 killer of both American males and females; and

WHEREAS, 95% of cardiac arrest victims die before they reach a hospital; and

WHEREAS, 75% of cardiac arrests occur in the home setting; and

WHEREAS, lives can be saved through your help; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association is committed to public education about heart disease and stroke and this year urges everyone to "**Be A Heartsaver**" by knowing the warning signs of a heart attack, calling 9-1-1 and giving CPR; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association is committed to the support of ongoing medical research to advance knowledge in the areas of prevention and treatment of heart disease and stroke; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association is the largest voluntary, not-for-profit organization whose mission is to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association spent over \$133 million during fiscal year 1999-2000 for research support, public and professional education, and community programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim February 2002 to be

AMERICAN HEART MONTH

in Idaho and I urge all citizens to become a heartsaver and learn CPR.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this fifth day of February in the year of our Lord two-thousand and two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twelfth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

PETE T. CENARRUSA SECRETARY OF STATE